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## Cromwell Advertisements



### DAVID A. JOLLY & CO., WHOLESALE AND RETAIL FAMILY GROCERS, AND WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

D. A. JOLLY & CO. desire to return thanks to the people of Cromwell and the surrounding districts for the liberal encouragement they have received since opening the above establishment; and as they intend devoting their attention exclusively to the Grocery and Wine and Spirit trade, they confidently hope, from their connection in Dunedin, to be able to place before the public a genuine class of goods, well and carefully selected, at prices that cannot fail to give general satisfaction. They would respectfully invite attention more especially to the following articles in stock:—

Teas of excellent flavor, in chests, half-chests, and boxes  
Coffees not to be surpassed in quality  
Cocoa and Chocolate of the best brands  
Sugar—crystals and crushed loaf  
Raisins—Muscatel, Sultana, and Eleme  
Jams, Jellies, Pickles, and Sauces  
Bacon, Cheese, and Butter of prime quality  
Tobacco—Imperial Ruby Twist, Barrett's Twist, Old Sport, andromatic  
Oils—Salad, Castor, and Kerosene  
Candles of the best brands  
Soaps—Blue Mottled, Yellow, and Scented in bars and cakes, &c., &c.

#### GRAIN.

Wakatip Oats, Wheat, and Chaff

#### SPIRITS.

Islay Whisky—Arbegg's and Long Jones'  
Hennessey's and Martell's Brandy, in bulk and case  
J.D.K.Z. Geneva  
Barnett's Old Tom  
Lemon Hart's Rum in bulk  
Porter—Blood's, Byass's, and Guinness's

#### CORDIANS.

Ginger Wine, Raspberry Vinegar, Peppermint, Lemon Syrup, &c., &c.  
Dr Townsend's Sarsaparilla

Families waited on for orders, and goods delivered in all parts of the district at Cromwell prices.

### DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,

HAVING RECEIVED A NEW AND SELECT ASSORTMENT OF

#### IRONMONGERY

Beg to call public attention to the following:—

Blasting Powder and Fuse; Long and Short handle Shovels; Picks, Pick Handles, and Sluice Forks; Pannikins, Gold Dishes, Billies; Galvanised Iron Buckets; American Tubs, Buckets, and Brooms; Axes and Handles; Manila Rope for mining purposes; Drilling Hammers and Handles; White Lead; Castor Oil in bulk; Washing-boards; Brushware of every description; Nails; Canvas; Hose Pipes.—Contracts undertaken for supplying Mining Co.'s with Material of all kinds, on liberal terms. Free delivery

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.'s  
DEPOT FOR MINING TOOLS,  
CROMWELL.

### SHAMROCK STORE, CROMWELL.

WILLIAM SHANLY,  
FAMILY GROCER,

GENERAL STOREKEEPER,

is carrying on business at the old-established premises, next to the Bank of New South Wales, Melmore-street.

The BEST QUALITY of GOODS only  
is kept in stock.

All orders will meet with prompt attention.

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### BELFAST STORE, CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

WINES, SPIRITS, GROCERIES, HARD-WARE, COLONIAL PRODUCE,  
&c. &c. &c.

JAMES HAZLETT

Begs to inform the Public of the Dunstan District that, in connection with his established business of ten years at Clyde, he has opened EXTENSIVE PREMISES AT CROMWELL, where he will be able to supply the Trade, Run-holders, Farmers, and Private Families, with EVERY CLASS OF GOODS, of the very best description, at the lowest current rates.

JAMES HAZLETT would particularly mention that in the FLOUR & COLONIAL PRODUCE BUSINESS he can defy competition, as in that line he is in connection with Messrs WHITTINGHAM BROTHERS, of Queenstown, who are the largest buyers in the Lake District.

J. HAZLETT, being a CASH BUYER in the Dunedin and Melbourne Markets, feels confident he can sell the cheapest and best article in the District, and invites a visit from Purchasers.

Note the address:

JAMES HAZLETT,  
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

### VICTORIA STORE, CROMWELL.

I. WRIGHT,  
DRAPER, CLOTHIER, HOSIER,  
HABERDASHER, AND  
GENERAL STOREKEEPER.

I. WRIGHT is now offering an assortment of NEW and CHEAP GOODS, in

DRESS MATERIALS—Prints, Winceys, Alpacas, all-wool Plaids, French Merinos, &c.

Calicoes, Flannels, Blankets, Quilts

Toilet Covers, Matting and Druggeting

Ladies and Children's Underclothing

BABY LINEN.

Also, a well-selected stock of

Women and Children's Boots and Shoes, in leather, kid, and cashmere

Ladies and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed

Ironmongery, Glass, Crockery

Patent Medicines, Fancy Goods

Toys, Jewellery, Cutlery, Stationery

Perfumery, Musical Instruments

Berlin and other Wools

Paperhangings, Brushware

Tobacco and Cigars

and other Goods too numerous to mention.

NEWSAGENT.

### JOHN MARSH.

"VALUE FOR MONEY."

### BRIDGE HOTEL,

CROMWELL.

### STARKEY'S

### KAWARAU HOTEL, CROMWELL.

Having purchased the above well-known hotel, G. M. STARKEY begs to inform his numerous friends, and the public generally, that it will be his study to maintain the high reputation the KAWARAU HOTEL has long since acquired for comfort.

One of Alcock's prize Billiard Tables (quite new.)

Wines and Spirits of the very best quality.

An efficient Groom always in attendance.

## Cromwell Advertisement

### HALLENSTEIN and Co., GENERAL IMPORTERS,

CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, ARROWTOWN, & MELBOURNE.

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the inhabitants generally to our Large Stock, as enumerated in this advertisement. It does not detail all the articles we keep, for to do so would be almost impossible. We have endeavoured to enumerate all the principal articles of each class; but every want necessary in a Mining, Agricultural, and Pastoral community can be supplied.

All our purchases being for cash, we thus possess an advantage that few are able to avail themselves of.

We therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage hitherto bestowed, with the conviction that all orders entrusted to our care will be promptly executed, and the articles found to be of good value.

**Drapery.**—The attention of Ladies is respectfully directed to this Department. It will be found replete with all the latest novelties from the Melbourne markets, and arrangements have been made for regular shipments per each steamer.

Dresses, in silks, fancy and black; alpacas, challies, mohairs, winceys, muslins, prints, colburs Shawls, all-wool plaids, French merinos, skirtings, jackets, &c.

Hosiery, gloves, handkerchiefs, laces, trimmings of all kinds

Ladies' and Children's Underclothing.—Our stock will be found the largest and best-assorted on the Gold-fields

Ladies' and Children's Hats, trimmed and untrimmed

Feathers, flowers, corsets, chignons, &c.

A large assortment of white and coloured flannels, serge and cricketing; calicoes and sheetings; and every other article required in the trade.

**Slop Department.**—Men's Suits, Paget and sac; boys' ditto, Leopold, Stanley, sac, and knickerbocker; Trousers and vests, all kinds

Trousers, in silk mixture, doeskin, tweed, cotton, Bedford cord, and moleskin

Shirts—white dress, regatta, Crimean, serge, Scotch twill, tweed, and jain

Pants and under-shirts, in flannel, lambswool, serge, merino, and cotton

Men's and boys' Hosiery, of all kinds

Hats—straw, merino, tweed, silk-stitched, felt, and plush, in all the latest shapes

Waterproof coats, overalls, leggings, and sou'-westers; monkey jackets and pilot coats

All the above Goods are to our special order.

**Boots and Shoes.**—A splendid assortment, consisting of:

Ladies', girls', and children's boots, in kid, cashmere, morocco, and leather

Slippers—canvas, patent leather (plain and fur-trimmed), sheepskin, and carpet

Men's and boys' boots—elastic-side, Balmoral, Blucher, Wellington, half-Wellington, and riding boots; Colonial water-tights, made to our order in Melbourne

Gum boots—Hayward's North British and Liverpool; Hardy's nuggets.

**Groceries and Provisions.**—Teas, coffees, sugars, candles, soaps, raisins, salmon, &c. &c.

**Wines and Spirits.**—Brandy, rum, whisky, gin; port, sherry; light wines; bitters.

**Ironmongery, Mining Tools, and Agricultural Implements.**—Anvils, axes, augers, adzes, balances, bells, bags, blacking, brushes (all kinds), baking-lishes, billies, braces and bits, black-lead, bellows, boilers, bedsteads, bolts, blocks, candlesticks, chains (various), candle-moulds, colanders, compasses, chisels, oval-scuttles, scoop and vase; corkscrews, coffin furniture, cash-boxes, door-scrappers, drippers, egg-whisks, slice and caps; fuse, frying-pans, funnels, files, fenders and fire-irons, fish-hooks, gimblets, grindstones, graters, glue, gridirons, gold-blowers, dishes and sieves, grates, gads, guns, glue-pots, hammers (all kinds), hoes, jelly-moulds, knives, a large assortment; knives and forks, knife-boards, kettles, lanterns, locks, ladders, milk dishes, cans, strainers, sieves, and yokes; measuring tapes, mops, mallets, nails of every kind, pitch, picks, pumps, powder, pincers, piping, ploughs, quoits, quicksilver, rules, rope, resin, rivets, rasps, rakes, ship scrapers, sickles and bats, slop-pails, saws of all kinds, sieves, seaming twine, sponges, scoops, sheep-shears, saucepans, shovels and spades, spirit-levels, soldering-irons, solder, spokeshaves, shot, steel-yards, scales, screws, staples, steppans, teapots, trowels, tar, tacks, tubs, trowsers, vices, waiters, washing boards and powder, window furniture of all kinds, writing cases, zinc, &c., &c.

**Timber and Building Materials.**—Shelving, 12 and 14 inches wide; T. and G. lumber

T. and G. Scotch Flooring, 4, 4, 4, 1, 1, 1 inch; beveled and plain match lining

Quartering, American hardwood, 3 x 1, 3 x 1, 3 x 2, 4 x 3, 4 x 6; mouldings, various sizes

Galvanised and painted iron, all sizes; rolled zinc, spouting, brackets, down-piping heads

Screws, nails, locks, hinges, and bolts; doors, glass, raised panel, and plain sashes, all sizes.

**Paints, Paperhangings, Oils.**—Paints of all kinds; white and red lead; black, green, blue, umbre, ochre, &c.; Oils—raw, boiled, colza, olive, turpentine, &c.; oak and copal varnish, asphaltum, oak-stain, knotting

**Paperhangings.**—A large assortment of drawing-room, sitting-room, bed-room, hall, passage, and ceiling, various; borderings, all kinds.

**Tinware** of every description, a large assortment, all kinds.

**Kitchen Utensils.**—Stoves, boilers, saucepans, kettles, &c.

**Crockery.**—A large and well-assorted department.

**Lamps, Glassware, Kerosene, Lampware.**—large assortment.

**Furniture, Bedding, &c.**—Bedsteads: an assortment of French and stump double, single, and children's bedsteads and cots

Chairs: Ladies, Florence, Lincoln, Fillmore, dining, American wood, spring hair, rocking; easy-chairs, in hair, cane, and wood

Commodities, cheffoniers, children's high and low chairs, cane and wood; chests of drawers

Tables: round and square, dining, loo, and dressing, various

Washstands, in cedar and walnut; towel-horses, mahogany, cedar, turned and plain

Sofas, a large assortment, colonial made, with or without backs, pillows, and cushions

Mattresses: feather, hair, flock, fibre, any size; pillows and bolsters, do. do. do.

**Leather.**—Crop, kip, calf, kangaroo, &c., from the Tannery of Michaelis, Hallenstein, and Co

**Grindery.**—a large assortment.

**Tobacco and Cigars.**—Being direct importers of these goods, buyers can always depend on getting a first-class article.

Tobacco: fancy and aromatic, silver coil, Atlantic cable, old sport, navy, fives, sixes, tens, imperial ruby, gold bar; dark aromatic—tens, bashful lover, little sunshade, monster; Barrett's twist and cut tobaccos; snuff

Cigars: Trabucos, Havana, Princess, and Swiss.

**Stationery and Books.**—Account-books, all sizes and bindings; minute-books, bill-files, blotting-paper, memo. books, copying letter-books, copy and exercise books, date-cases, envelopes, all kinds and sizes; elastic bands, foolscap (plain and ruled), gum mucilage, ink of all kinds; inkstands, a large variety; letter balances, clips, and files; pass-books

Note and letter paper, white, blue, and mourning; pens of all kinds, pencils, playing-cards, pocket-books, purses, slates, albums, rulers, sealing-wax, tissue-paper, all colours; desks

Books: an assortment of family and pocket Bibles, church services, and prayer-books

Poetical Works of Byron, Moore, Scott, Burns, Milton, Cowper, Cook, Campbell, Longfellow

Gift books; dictionaries—French, Latin, German, and English; geographies, arithmetics.

**Fancy Goods.**—A large, choice, and varied assortment.

**Patent Medicines.**—Large assortment; also, a variety of Horse Medicines.

**Perfumery.**—"from every flower that breathes a fragrance."

**Saddlery.**—This department will be found very complete, as all goods are manufactured expressly for us by Alston, of Melbourne.

Bridles, with or without bits; a large assortment of ladies' and gentlemen's, double and single rein, Pelham and snaffle; all prices.

Curry-combs and brushes of all kinds; halters; hobbles, various.

Saddles, ladies' and gentlemen's; demy, stock, green hide, and all over hogskin; various prices.

Saddle-cloths, kersey, felt; saddle-girths, leather, web; saddle straps, spurs of all kinds;

valises, martingales and breastplates, various; stirrup leathers, ladies' slippers and stirrup leathers, cruppers, bits, burnisters, headstalls, ladies' worked saddle-cloths.

Spring cart harness complete, dray harness complete, leading sets complete.

Pack saddles, straps, needles, buckles, hemp knives.

Whips, a large variety; jockey whips, silver mounted, green hide; ladies' twigs, various kinds; buggy whips, cart whips, all sizes; stockwhips and handles, thongs of all kinds.

**Produce.**—Agents for Robertson and Hallenstein, Brunswick Flour Mills, Lake Wakatip.—We have for sale their silk-dressed Flour, (equal to Adelaide); pollard, bran, oats, wheat, barley, chaff. Garden seeds in great variety.

**Sundries.**—Tents, tarpaulins, Manila rope, hose canvas, horse-covers, wheelbarrows, horse-directors brushware, camp and colonial ovens, candles, lime, &c. &c.

## Cromwell

**Cromwell Veterinary Shoeing Forge,**  
Next door to Kidd's Cromwell Hotel.

**EDWARD LINDSAY,**  
(Late of Clyde and Melbourne),  
**GENERAL BLACKSMITH, FARRIER, AND  
MACHINIST,**

Begs to intimate to his customers and the general public that he has REMOVED to his NEW PREMISES, next to the Cromwell Hotel, Melbourne Terrace, where he will carry on every description of Blacksmith work and Farriery as heretofore.

E. LINDSAY begs to intimate to the Public generally that he has gone to the expense of getting a CAST-IRON BED for TIRING WHEELS on a new principle, being the first introduced up-country, which he will guarantee to give general satisfaction; also, that he has made a reduction in the price of Horse-shoeing.

LIGHT SHOES - - 12s.  
DRAUGHT " - - 17s.

EDWARD LINDSAY,  
Veterinary Shoeing Forge.

**JAMES SLOAN,**  
FARRIER AND BLACKSMITH.

JAMES SLOAN desires to announce to the inhabitants of Cromwell and the District that he has purchased the business lately carried on by Messrs BUCHAN BROTHERS as Farriers and Blacksmiths. His long practical experience in all branches of the business, combined with moderate charges, will, he trusts, secure him a fair share of public patronage.

SLOAN'S  
VETERINARY AND SHOEING FORGE,  
CROMWELL.

BEFORE purchasing your WATCHES, CLOCKS, and JEWELLERY, call on  
**E. MURRELL,**  
and inspect his CHOICE STOCK of the above articles.

As all his Watches and Clocks are TAKEN TO PIECES, CLEANED, and ADJUSTED before they are delivered, Customers may depend on getting an article that will give satisfaction.

All kinds of WATCHES, CLOCKS, and  
MUSICAL BOXES cleaned  
and repaired.

Jewellery made and repaired.—Pipes mounted.

Observe the address :  
NEXT MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL.



**CROMWELL BUTCHERY**  
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.



**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,**  
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

\* Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.

BEEF, BY THE QUARTER, 3½d per lb.

**F. SANSON, SADDLER  
AND  
HARNESS-MAKER,**

Begs to inform the public that he is carrying on business at the Premises lately occupied by Mr Raven, in Cromwell, and trusts, by strict attention and moderate charges, to merit the public patronage.

Collars, Pack-saddles, and Harness of every description made on the premises.  
Repairs done on the shortest notice.

J. B. LAKE,

**SURGEON AND PHYSICIAN,**

May be consulted at his Residence,

MURRAY STREET, CROMWELL.

## Cromwell

**CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD,**  
LATE MR GRANT'S  
NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD.

JAMES TAYLOR,  
Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger,



Has FOR SALE all kinds of Building Material suitable for the district.

Estimates given for Buildings at the LOWEST PRICES compatible with Good Material and Workmanship.

Punctuality and attention to all orders may be relied on.

A Large Assortment of Paperhangings Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c. Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners' Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manila Rope, SADDLERY, &c., cheap.



**THE CROMWELL BAKERY,**

J. SCOTT,

BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,

Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

**K. P R E T S C H,**  
CROMWELL,

COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,  
PAPERHANGER, &c.,

Has always on hand a fine selection of Paperhangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

**THOMAS FOOTE,**  
TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,  
MELMORE TERRACE,  
CROMWELL.

Ladies' Riding Habits made to order.

**PRIVATE SCHOOL, CROMWELL.**

MRS RHIND,

(Late Resident Governess at the Girls' Provincial High School),

Will be prepared, on and after MONDAY, 14th instant, to receive DAY SCHOLARS at her Residence, near Cromwell Bridge.

The course of instruction will comprise all the ordinary branches; the Languages, ancient and modern, if desired; Music and Singing; Plain and Fancy Needlework, &c.

A YOUNG LADIES' EVENING CLASS Will be formed for teaching Fancywork, Sewing, and other useful accomplishments.  
Terms may be ascertained on application.

**CHARLES COLCLOUGH,**  
SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION  
AGENT,  
ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT,  
CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively to these occupations, business entrusted to my care will receive every attention.

Agent for the New Zealand Fire Insurance Company.

**D. MACKELLAR,**  
ACCOUNTANT and  
GENERAL AGENT.

Manager of { Star of the East Quartz Mining Company, Registered;  
Colleen Bawn Quartz Mining Company, Registered;  
Kawarau Bridge Company (Messrs M'Cormick, Grant, & Richards).

AGENT for { The Norwich Union Fire Insurance Company.

Office: Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Mechanical Drawings furnished.—Specifications prepared.

## Cromwell

**SWAN BREWERY,**  
CROMWELL.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE,  
Proprietors.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE are now prepared to supply their unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity.

Orders left with Mr G. W. GOODGER, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

TO FARMERS.

GOODGER AND KUHTZE will be purchasers during the forthcoming season of any quantity of GOOD MALTING BARLEY.

GOODGER & KUHTZE.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
to the Inhabitants of  
Cromwell and the Surrounding Districts.

J. SOLOMON,  
the Cheap Draper,

Has opened out permanently with a large and splendid assortment of  
NEW AND FASHIONABLE GOODS,  
suitable for the season.

Ladies' Bonnets, Trimmings, Hats, Silk Jackets,  
Lace Goods, Shawls, Dress Materials,  
Costumes, etc., etc.

NOT TO BE EQUALLED IN PRICE OR STYLE  
IN CROMWELL!

NO OLD STOCK! ALL PERFECTLY NEW  
AND SELECTED FROM THE LATEST  
SHIPMENTS!

J.S. can assure his customers and all intending purchasers they have never had such a choice lot of goods to select from in Cromwell.

One trial will convince anyone of the fact.

Men's, Youths', and Boys' Clothing in great variety.

Knickerbocker Suits.

Men's, Youths', and Boys' Straw Hats.

New Stock in Fancy Goods.

New Stock in Boots and Shoes.

New Stock in Crockery and Glassware.

New Stock in Jewellery.

The price of every article will be right, and the goods will positively be sold at a small profit to meet the times.

FRESH STOCK COMING TO HAND REGULARLY.

RECOLLECT.—NO HUMBUG!

**MILLINERY AND DRESSMAKING,**  
under the management of Mrs Solomon.

Don't forget to come early and see the New Stock.

**J. SOLOMON.**

(Premises lately occupied by Bank of New Zealand.)

**J. C. CHAPPLE,**  
AUCTIONEER.

Any orders for Sales in the Cromwell District may be left at the ARGUS Office, and will meet with prompt attention.

Kawarau Gorge.

**SLICERS' ARMS HOTEL,**  
KAWARAU GORGE.

The Proprietor of the above old-established hotel begs to acquaint his friends and the public that he can now offer comfortable accommodation to all classes of customers.



The attention of Owners and Trainers is called to the fact that the STABLES attached to the SLICERS' ARMS contain Eight Large LOOSE-BOXES, thus affording unrivalled accommodation for RACEHORSES. The Stables being situated within a short distance of the Cromwell Race-course, those intending to enter horses for the forthcoming Races should make early application to the Proprietor. Terms reasonable.

ANDERS OLSON.

## Bannockburn &amp; Carrick Range

**STUART'S FERRY,**  
KAWARAU RIVER.



Main crossing-place between Cromwell and the Nevis for Waggon, Drays, Horses, and Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free.

THE FERRY HOTEL

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers.

**BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,**  
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,  
(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.

**BANNOCKBURN TIMBER YARD,**  
AND CARPENTER'S SHOP.

JAMES TAYLOR,

CROMWELL TIMBER AND IRON YARD,

Begs to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN, NEVIS, POTTERS, &c., that in order to meet the increasing requirements of those districts, he has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

A good supply of TIMBER and IRON for Building and Mining purposes always on hand.

Best Material and Workmanship Cheap for Cash.



**WILLIAM SUTHERLAND & CO.,**  
(Late of Logantown),

GENERAL BLACKSMITHS & FARRIERS,  
Beg to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that they have removed to QUARTZVILLE, next to HAZLETT'S Carrick Range Hotel, where they hope, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of their patronage.

**CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,**  
QUARTZVILLE.

CHARLES PEAKE,  
Proprietor.

The Proprietor, having recently purchased the above well-known and centrally-situated Hotel, is now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour him with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on the most complete scale, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODIOUS BILLIARD ROOM,  
fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

AN EXCELLENT SIX-STALLED STABLE,  
with careful groom always in attendance.

183 CHARLES PEAKE.

**BANNOCKBURN COAL PIT**

ORDERS for this COAL left with

D. A. JOLLY & CO.

will be punctually executed.

JOHN DOVE

**PRINTING**  
THE ART PRESERVATIVE OF ALL ARTS.

**CROMWELL ARGUS**

**General Printing Office,**  
MELMORE TERRACE.

**MATTHEWS & MACKELLAR,**  
MERCANTILE AND DECORATIVE PRINTERS,  
EXECUTE ORDERS FOR  
**PRINTING**  
OF EVERY KIND  
In the most modern styles of the Art.

**BOOK AND PAMPHLET WORK,**  
Unsurpassed in the Colony.

PLAIN, ENAMELLED, **CARDS** COLORED, EMBOSSED,  
In endless variety of style.

**ADMISSION TICKETS**  
For Balls, Concerts, Lectures, Entertainments,  
Societies, &c. &c.

**BALL PROGRAMMES,**  
NEWEST STYLES.

**Business & Invitation Circulars,**  
Printed in New and Elegant Type,  
ON FINE POST OR FANCY NOTE PAPER.

**MINING COMPANIES' SCRIP,**  
(Superior to Lithographed)  
ON FIRST-CLASS LOAN PAPER.

**POSTERS,**  
ANY SIZE,  
BLACK OR COLOURED INKS.

**ILLUMINATED SHOW-CARDS,**  
SUPERB DESIGNS,  
In Coloured Inks or Gold Bronze.

**Receipt and Delivery Books**  
Neatly printed and strongly bound.

Catalogues, Hand Bills, Programmes,  
Labels, Memo's, Societies' Rules,  
Bags and Wrapping Papers,  
Prospectuses, Envelopes,  
Ale & Porter Labels,  
Circular Labels,  
—AND—  
EVERY OTHER KIND OF PRINTING!

**The Cromwell Argus**  
IS PUBLISHED  
EVERY TUESDAY AFTERNOON,  
And delivered the same day,  
BY SPECIAL MESSENGERS, THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT.

**SUBSCRIPTION:**  
**SIX SHILLINGS & QUARTER.**

**CASUAL ADVERTISEMENTS:**  
Each insertion under four, per inch..... 3/6  
On four or more insertions, a reduction of 25%.

**STANDING ADVERTISEMENTS**  
On still more liberal terms.

Casual advertisements must be prepaid, otherwise the Proprietors cannot guarantee insertion.

The charge for Birth and Marriage Announcements is Half-a-crown each, payable at the time of insertion.

**Arrowtown**

**R. PRITCHARD,**  
Wholesale and Retail Storekeeper,  
WINE, SPIRIT, AND PROVISION MERCHANT,  
ARROWTOWN.

The largest and best-assorted stock of Wines, Spirits, Groceries, and Provisions in the district.  
A well-assorted stock of Boots and Shoes, Drapery, &c.

Agent for  
T. ROBINSON & Co.,  
Agricultural Implement Manufacturers,  
Dunedin and Melbourne.

**Queenstown**

**THE Right Man in the Right Place.**  
**W. J. BARRY**  
AT THE  
**PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL,**  
QUEENSTOWN.

The accommodation at the PRINCE OF WALES is unsurpassed. New rooms have lately been erected for private families; and visitors may depend upon every convenience and comfort, combined with moderate charges.

**HOT DRINKS.**  
Hot Purl; hot spiced Ale and Porter; Coffee Royal; hot Coffee and Milk. Steamer always going.

**PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL,**  
Corner of Beach and Rees Streets,  
QUEENSTOWN.

In connection with the above, W. J. BARRY, Jun., begs to announce that he has taken  
**THE STABLES**  
in connection with the Hotel, and assures those who may favour him with their patronage that horses will be well and properly cared for.

**LIVERY:** 6s. per night.  
English Grass Paddocks for Horses.

W. J. B., jun., has also to announce that on and after the 20th September, 1873,  
A TWO and FOUR-HORSE COACH  
will run between Queenstown and Arrowtown, twice a week each way.

**ROBERT BOYNE,**  
**GENERAL STOREKEEPER**  
AND NEWS AGENT,  
Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu.

A large stock of Groceries and other goods always on hand. Importer of English and Colonial Newspapers. Orders punctually attended to, and newspapers forwarded to any part of the district.

Agent for the CROMWELL ARGUS.  
**CARRON TIMBER YARD,**  
CAMP-STREET ... QUEENSTOWN,  
LAKE WAKATIPU.

**A. BOYNE,**  
begs most respectfully to announce to the inhabitants of Cromwell and surrounding districts that, having made arrangements for a constant supply of Southland Building Timber (red and white pine and totara, thoroughly seasoned), he is prepared to retail the same at the following very low scale of prices:—  
Feather-edged weather-boards, 20s per hundred feet  
Scantling—white pine, 20s; red pine, 22s  
Sluice-boards—white pine, 25s  
Shelving, 22s 6d; dressed, 20s  
T & G Lining, 6 x 3, 26s  
T & G Flooring, 6 x 1, 28s.

A. B. has also for sale a good assortment of BUILDERS' IRONMONGERY; also, Door Sashes, American Lining, Shelving, and Turnery.  
Oils, Paints, Varnish, &c.  
All orders punctually attended to.

**Clyde**

**MEDICAL HALL, CLYDE.**  
**LOUIS HOTOP,**  
**CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST,**  
SUNDERLAND-ST., CLYDE.

Prescriptions carefully prepared.

**BOOKSELLER, STATIONER, AND NEWS VENDER.**  
Importer of English, Foreign, and Colonial Newspapers and Magazines.  
Libraries and Magazine Clubs supplied at a small advance upon English prices.

**Alexandra**

**MANUHERIKIA BREWERY,**  
ALEXANDRA.

**THEYERS & BECK** beg to announce that they are prepared to supply their **SPARKLING XXXX ALES** in any quantity.  
Delivered free of cartage within twenty miles.

Orders left with  
Mr THEYERS, Alexandra;  
Mr C. P. BECK, Clyde;  
or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

**THEYERS AND BECK,**  
BREWERS,  
ALEXANDRA.

**Luggate**

**ALBION HOTEL AND STORE,**  
LUGGATE,  
28 miles from Cromwell, on the main road to Lake Wanaka).

H. MAIDMAN ..... Proprietor.

This well-known Hotel possesses every accommodation for the comfort and convenience of travellers.  
Groceries, Clothing, Drapery, Ironmongery, Mining Tools, &c., &c., constantly on hand, at Cromwell prices.

**GOOD STABLING.**  
N.B.—District Post Office.

**Wanaka**

**WANAKA HOTEL, PEMBROKE.**

The above hotel, which is delightfully situated on the margin of the Wanaka Lake, offers to the tourist and pleasure-seeker advantages rarely to be met with.

The scenery in the neighbourhood is exceedingly picturesque; and on an island in the Lake there is excellent rabbit-shooting.

An excellent Four-stalled STABLE, and a Paddock, for horses.

**THEODORE RUSSELL,**  
Proprietor.

**Cromwell**

**ARROW FLOUR MILLS.**  
To Runholders, Storekeepers, Bakers, and others.


Messrs BUTEL BROS. have much pleasure in announcing that they have appointed D. A. JOLLY & Co., of Cromwell, as their agents for the sale of their **SILK-DRESSED FLOUR, BRAN, and POLLARD.**

JOLLY & Co. will be prepared to promptly execute orders within a radius of Sixty Miles.  
**FLOUR GUARANTEED.—TERMS LIBERAL.**

**NOTICE.**  
WE, the undersigned, beg to inform the inhabitants of the Cromwell, Alexandra, and Clyde districts that we have appointed **L. Hallenstein and Co., Cromwell,** as our only AGENTS for the sale of our **Silk-dressed FLOUR, BRAN, and POLLARD.**

We guarantee all Flour branded with our name, and obtained through the above agents.

**ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN,**  
Brunswick Flour Mills,  
LAKE WAKATIPU.



**THE CLYDESDALE**  
**ENTIRE HORSE**  
**THANE OF CLYDE,**  
Will travel this Season in the CROMWELL, CLYDE, and BLACKS Districts.

YOUNG THANE OF CLYDE is by that well-known Sire, Thane of Clyde, imported; dam, Kate, imported by W. C. HILL, Esq., Croydon, Southland.

YOUNG THANE OF CLYDE is a dark dappled bay, stands 16½ hands high, rising 5 years old, has fine symmetry and unequalled action, with a splendid temper.

He travelled last season in the Mataura district, and has proved himself a sure foal-getter.

Terms, £3 10s, payable on the 1st February, 1874; groomage, 5s., to be paid at time of service.

**THOMAS GILMOUR,**  
Proprietor, Clyde.

**RESIDENT MAGISTRATE'S COURT.**  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1873.  
(Before W. Lawrence Simpson, Esq., R.M.)

**CATHERINE PERRY v. ARCHIBALD RITCHIE.**—Charge of assault. As there was no appearance on either side, the case was struck out.

**G. M. STARKY v. HARDING and another.**—£24 15s. This was a case adjourned from 10th October, to enable defendant to obtain evidence from Dunedin. Judgment was given for £20 and costs; failing payment, distress.

**WARDEN'S COURT.**  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24.  
(Before W. Lawrence Simpson, Esq., Warden.)

**APPLICATIONS.**  
**Extended Claims.**—Ah Chow and four others, and Ah How and four others' applications for five acres each in Moonlight creek were struck out, there being no appearance of applicants.—Joseph M'Case, one acre in Bailey's gully: granted.—William Burrows and two others, three acres in Burrows' gully: granted.—David Stewart and another, two acres in Bailey's gully: granted.

**Protection.**—The Colleen Bawn company's application was postponed till 31st October.—Wm. Crookston and others were granted 90 days' protection for claim at Doctor's flat.

**Tail Races.**—Ah Chew and four others' application for tail-race at Moonlight creek was struck out, there being no appearance.—G. W. Goodger and another's application for tail-race at Adams' gully was also struck out, there being no appearance.—David Stewart and another's application for tail-race in Bailey's gully was granted.

**Water Races.**—Ah How and four others' application for four sluice-heads from Moonlight creek was struck out, there being no appearance.—G. W. Goodger and another's application at Adams' gully was struck out for similar reason.—The Carrick Water company's application for three sluice-heads was granted.—D. Stewart and another's application for four sluice-heads from dam in Pipeclay gully was adjourned till 31st inst., in order that applicants may attend and explain the termination.

**Tunnel.**—Alfred Short and another's application in Adams' gully was granted.

**Dam.**—C. M. Hedlund's application for dam at Slaughter-yard flat was refused.

**Residence Areas.**—The following areas of one acre each were granted:—Ah Leong and Ah Tie at Nevis flat; and Charles Jones at Welsh-town, Bendigo.

**A Rich Claim.**

There has always been a healthy competition existing among the mining companies of Bendigo to procure the largest cake of gold, each endeavouring to out-rival the other; but there seems to be every probability of all the great and wealthy companies of the district being shortly beaten by a small and hitherto obscure tribute company. The stone now being broken in the mine of the Garden Gully Tribute Company No. 3 is exceedingly rich, and many experienced mining men have declared it to be without parallel in Sandhurst, so heavily is it charged with the precious metal. For the last fortnight this company has been crushing with one battery, and as a result the magnificent quantity of 3605 ozs. of amalgam has been obtained, of which 900 ozs. was worked off from the ripples only, for three days' crushing. The directors have determined to put on a second battery, and intend to keep both crushing for another fortnight, when they will be washed off and the amalgam and silver retorted. If the average continues as good within the next two weeks, with two batteries, as it has during the past fortnight with one, over 9000 ozs. of amalgam will have been obtained, and as the average amount of gold in amalgam is 50 per cent., the yield will be fully 4000 ozs. of gold. The directors, it is stated, intend to produce the largest cake ever retorted in the district, and if their calculations prove correct they will undoubtedly prove successful. And yet two months ago the shares of this tribute company could have been had on payment of a sixpenny call; the claim is now one of the most valuable mining properties on the line, and notwithstanding the shortness of the time to run—six months—the shares are worth 21s. in the market.—*Bendigo Advertiser.*

The 15th inst. was a field day with the Invercargill Inspector of Nuisances, as on that date he made a raid on the goats of the town, and the *Southland Times* says that he succeeded in driving in no less than 48, which were mercilessly slaughtered and denuded of their skins. It is intended, our contemporary adds, to pursue the war of extermination, as complaints of the goat nuisance are becoming very rife.

**Writing of Coromandel, the Mail says:—**  
"Perhaps, all told, there are five mines upon this field being systematically and efficiently worked, as mines should be worked for the production of gold, not mere scrip-selling. How the case may be at the Thames we cannot say, but this is how it stands at Coromandel."

**Holloway's Pills.**—The Greatest Wonder of Modern Times.—They correct biliousness, prevent flatulency, cleanse the liver, and purify the system, renovate the debilitated, strengthen the stomach, increase the appetite, invigorate the nerves, promote health, and reinstate the weak in an arduous and vacillating career before experienced. The sale of these Pills throughout the globe astonishes everybody, convincing the most sceptical that Holloway's Pills transcend all other medicine for removal of disease of every name they are indeed a blessing to the afflicted, and a boon to those who suffer from any disorder, internal or external. Thousands of persons have testified that by their use alone they have been restored to health after all other remedies had proved unsuccessful.



# PROSPECTUS OF THE CARDRONA VALLEY GREAT EXTENDED GOLD MINING COMPANY.

To be Registered under the Mining Companies Limited Liability Act.

Capital, £5000, in shares of £1 each.

Two shillings and sixpence per share to be paid on application, and two shillings and sixpence on allotment, and the remainder in calls of not more than two shillings and sixpence.

## PROVISIONAL DIRECTORS:

Mr ROBERT M'DOUGALL, Cardrona  
Mr ALFRED AUSTIN, Cardrona  
Mr THOMAS A. RUSSELL  
Mr GEORGE B. BOND  
Mr CHARLES AUSTIN  
Mr OWEN MACKIN.

## BANKERS:

THE NATIONAL BANK OF NEW ZEALAND,  
Cardrona.

This Company is formed for the purpose of following up the auriferous continuation of the Cardrona Deep Lead. A deed is now in course of preparation by the Government (see Warden's letter) in favour of Messrs Mackin and Bond, conveying to them a special grant of one mile of the Cardrona Creek at Spott's Creek, about six miles south of Albertown, and about ten miles north of the present Cardrona township.

It is scarcely necessary to mention that it is the largest mining grant on record, and the auriferous nature of the Cardrona Creek is too well known for even the most sceptical to have a doubt of the favourable results of the company.

It is well known that rich deposits were found in tributary gullies falling into the main Cardrona Creek where Messrs Mackin and Bond's grant is, and it is equally well known that gold was discovered at the head of their grant, and could be worked to advantage but for the want of capital by the prospectors.

It is also worthy of remark that gold can be found on both sides of the range along the course of the Cardrona Valley to Albertown.

Again, reverting to the auriferous nature of the Cardrona Creek, the Escort returns will dispel any doubt that may arise on the present and future prospects of the Cardrona gold-field.

The Provisional Directors are of the opinion that not more than seven shillings and sixpence per share will be required, as they are impressed with the belief that the ground is not more than 15 feet deep. And by cutting the valley flat across, along with the aid of a tail race, so as to effectually drain the ground, they are confident of a successful issue.

Messrs Mackin and Bond were at considerable expense for survey and other outlay in inducing the Government to grant their application. Therefore, they claim jointly 600 paid-up shares for surrendering their rights to us for the purpose of forming a Company.

Immediately one half of the shares are subscribed for, a meeting of the shareholders will be called to elect directors.

Applications for information and shares can be made to

Mr ROBERT M'DOUGALL,  
Arrowtown, and  
Mr OWEN MACKIN,  
Cardrona.

## STUART'S

### BANNOCKBURN FERRY COALPIT.

J. STUART, having opened out the seam of Coal previously worked by Messrs NICHOLAS and Co., has to announce to the public that he is prepared to supply COAL at reasonable prices to any part of the district.

The Coal is known to be of first-class quality; and as the pit is in good working order, customers may depend upon a regular supply.

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

### J. SOLOMON'S

GRAND GIFT ART UNION,  
consisting of  
NINE VALUABLE PRIZES,

To be given away between all customers purchasing to the amount of FIVE POUNDS,

—FROM—

THIS DATE UNTIL BOXING NIGHT,  
when the Prizes will be drawn for.

Tickets will be given for all amounts till they make Five Pounds, when a full share will be presented gratis in the gift.

The Prizes will be on view next week.

## NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS against the ESTATE of the late JAMES PARKIN must be sent in to the Undersigned not later than the 10th of NOVEMBER next.

W. ARTHUR WORSOP,  
Agent for Administrator.  
Albertown, 8th October, 1873.

# NEW SUMMER GOODS.

## W. TALBOYS,

Having arranged with a Wholesale House in Dunedin to import goods through them direct from the Home Markets, at a small advance, will now be able to sell at about twenty-five per cent. less than usual prices.

The public can therefore make sure of purchasing the

CHEAPEST FANCY DRESSES IN CROMWELL  
CHEAPEST PRINTS IN CROMWELL  
CHEAPEST MUSLINS IN CROMWELL  
CHEAPEST SKIRTS IN CROMWELL  
CHEAPEST CALICOES IN CROMWELL  
CHEAPEST FLANNELS IN CROMWELL  
CHEAPEST STOCKINGS, GLOVES, COLLARS, MUSLIN SETS, &c. &c.

## BARGAINS! BARGAINS!

—IN—

TWEED TROUSERS

TROUSERS AND VESTS

TWEED SUITS

SILK MIXED SUITS.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF BOYS' CLOTHING.

CRIMEANS, CRIMEANS—JEAN SHIRTS—FLANNEL SHIRTS—KNITTED  
AND COTTON PANTS.

ALL THE NEWEST SHAPES IN MEN'S & BOYS' HATS.

BOOTS, IN GREAT VARIETY.

DON'T FORGET THE GREAT DISCOUNT AT

W. TALBOYS'

# LONDON HOUSE,

MELMORE TERRACE, CROMWELL.

WANTED,—Two Men for Mustering.  
About four Months' employment. Good wages given. Also, a COOK.—Apply Kawarau Station.

JAMES COWAN.

OFFICE TO LET, opposite Mr Kidd's  
Cromwell Hotel.—Apply to  
D. MACKELLAR.

FOR SALE.—The HOUSE and SHOP  
at present occupied by Jules La Fontaine,  
Carpenter, Melmore-street, Cromwell.  
Also, separately, the TOOLS and STOCK-IN  
TRADE on the premises.  
Apply D. MACKELLAR.

THE Undersigned has for sale FORTY  
TONS POTATOES, first quality. To  
be sold cheap.  
G. W. GOODGER,  
Junction Commercial Hotel, Cromwell.

CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY CO., REGISTERED.

Notice is hereby given that the SHARE LIST  
of the above Company will be CLOSED on  
MONDAY, 1st December next ensuing.  
After that date, the Directors may re-open  
the List at such premium as may then be determined upon.

D. MACKELLAR,  
Manager.

NOTICE.—I hereby give notice that I  
have this day sold the business hitherto  
carried on by me as Bread and Biscuit Baker in  
Cromwell, to Mr JAMES SCOTT, Baker, of  
Cromwell.

In consequence thereof, all debts due to me  
must be paid within one month from this date,  
or legal proceedings will be taken to recover the same.  
CHARLES W. WRIGHT,  
Oct. 13, 1873. Cromwell.

## CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

SERVICES will be held as follows:  
November 9.—Gorge, Morning; Bannockburn,  
Afternoon; Cromwell, Evening.  
J. JONES.

ELIZABETH Q. M. COMPANY,  
REGISTERED.

TENDERS are required for the SUPPLY of  
COALS to the above Company's machine for the  
ensuing TWELVE MONTHS.

Full particulars to be obtained from the undersigned, to whom tenders are to be sent in not later than WEDNESDAY EVENING, 29th inst., at 8 p.m.

C. COLCLOUGH,  
Manager.

LOYAL CROMWELL LODGE,  
M.U.I.O.O.F.—No. 5350.

## THE ANNIVERSARY BALL

Of the above Lodge will be held on FRIDAY,  
November 7, 1873.

Ticket to admit Lady and Gentleman, 12s 6d.

Tickets to be had of Messrs Hallenstein and  
Co., Mr Talboys, Messrs Cossar and Bennett,  
(Quartzville,) and of

C. W. WRIGHT,  
Secretary.

## New Advertisements.

WANTED,—A few good miners for  
Lucknow Tunnel. Good BLASTING  
HANDS only.

Apply to the Manager on the ground; or

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
Cromwell.

SMITH'S GULLY SLUDGE  
CHANNEL.

The Committee appointed to draw up rules  
for the regulation of the said channel will meet  
in the Bannockburn Schoolhouse on WEDNES-  
DAY Evening, at 8 o'clock.

CARRICK RANGE WATER SUPPLY CO., REGISTERED.

Notice is hereby given that all CALLS IN  
ARREARS must be paid forthwith, or proceed-  
ings will be taken to recover the same.

D. MACKELLAR,  
Manager.

TENDERS will be received at the  
Office of the Secretary for Works, until  
noon of TUESDAY, 4th November, for—

Contract No. 811.—Pitching and Gravelling  
120 chains of road between Gentle Annie and  
Nevis Ferry.

Contract No. 812.—Pitching and Gravelling  
80 chains of road Cromwell to Queenstown, near  
Hayward's.

Plans and specifications may be seen, and  
forms of tender obtained, at the Office of the  
Engineer of Roads and Works, Dunedin, and at  
Police Camp, Cromwell.

HORACE BASTINGS,  
Secretary for Works.

## CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB.

A COMMITTEE MEETING will be held in  
the Town-hall on FRIDAY, 31st instant, at 8  
o'clock sharp. Business: To receive Sub-Com-  
mittee's Draft Programme.

WILLIAM MACNAB,  
Secretary.

## CORPORATION OF CROMWELL.

TENDERS will be received till 8 p.m. on  
THURSDAY evening, 30th inst., for Labour and  
Materials in Boxing about 150 yards of the Town  
Race.

Plans and Specifications at my office.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily ac-  
cepted.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
Inspector of Public Works.

## CORPORATION OF CROMWELL.

An Extraordinary Vacancy having occurred in  
the office of Auditor for the Corporation, NOMI-  
NATIONS for that office will be received on  
THURSDAY, October 30, at noon.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
Town Clerk.



## EAMES' DERBY SWEEP.

The DRAWING for the above will take place  
at the DUNSTAN HOTEL on 6th November next,  
at 9 p.m.

A few shares still unallotted; early applica-  
tion necessary.

WM. EAMES,  
Secretary.

NOTICE TO ERECT FENCE.—To  
all whom it may concern.—I intend to  
erect a fence round Sections 3, 10, 11, and 12 of  
Block XVII., Township of Cromwell.

OWEN PIERCE.

## NOTICE.

PERSONS desirous of sending Mares  
to the Entire Horse ROEBUCK must  
send them before December 25th, 1873.

Terms: Five guineas each mare. No respon-  
sibility taken.

T. A. FRASER,  
Hawea Lake Station.

WILLIAM TAYLOR,  
BOOTMAKER,

MELMORE STREET ... CROMWELL,  
Has a large and varied stock of Boots and Shoes  
on hand, of the best quality.

An inspection of the stock is invited.

Boots and Shoes made to order in the latest and  
most approved fashion.

ALL WORK GUARANTEED.

PRICES MODERATE.

## CAUTION.

LOST, at Wanaka Races, a CHEQUE  
dated 16th October, 1873; payable to  
John Pickering or bearer; signed, Joseph D.  
Ross; amount, £31 4s; on Bank of New South  
Wales, Cromwell.—Payment has been stopped.

LOST, at Bannockburn, a BAY  
HORSE, with blaze down face, but with-  
out a brand. Any person finding same, and re-  
turning to AH KEW, Cromwell, will receive  
ONE POUND reward.

## A GRAND AMATEUR ENTER- TAINMENT.

In aid of the Bannockburn School-funds,  
will take place next week.

Full programme in next issue.

## Cromwell Argus,

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1873.

CLAUSE No. 5 in the Public Works Com-  
mittee's report, laid before the Town Coun-  
cil at their meeting last Thursday, and  
which refers to the dust pestilence with  
which we are plagued, is about as ingenious  
a specimen of "how not to do it" as the  
citizens in the town have had the pleasure  
of seeing for some time. For fifteen months  
now, the question has been before the  
Council, and yet the committee "is unable  
to furnish a report upon the abatement of  
the dust nuisance." Why could they not  
be silent for another week or two till they  
were in a position to do so? We might  
have survived for other fourteen days,  
without even the one grain of comfort that  
"the matter was still under consideration."  
Under consideration, forsooth! We defy  
the committee to let it out of their consid-  
eration for any one hour during the day.  
This is not all, however; the "how not  
to do it" system is not properly exempli-  
fied yet. We are "urged" to take some  
decided steps in the matter, "otherwise  
it will be impossible to live in that part of

the town, or even in the vicinity. What, in the name of LINDLEY MURRAY and all his successors, do the members of the Public Works Committee mean? What decided steps can be taken in a matter which is still under consideration, and of which they report that they cannot yet report? Considering the extraordinary jumble into which their ideas have evidently got, we could not have been surprised to learn that the "part of the town, or the vicinity in which it will be impossible to live," was the part in which the committee met when this beautiful report was concocted; there is something so delightfully cloudy about it.

Seriously, however, we must caution the Council against receiving reports like the one we have above alluded to. It is a sham way of doing business. It only passes the real question from one meeting to another, till some time or other it drops out of memory altogether. The committee is expected to manfully and honestly grapple with the horrible pestilence which renders life in Cromwell for about six months in every year nearly unbearable, and which is yearly growing more and more intolerable; or to as manfully and honestly confess to the Council that the problem is by then insoluble. Other parties might then have something to say to it.

In another place will be found Mr LOUGHAN's letter in reference to the subject of our last week's leader. If the letter is carefully considered, it will be seen that it by no means touches any part of the question which was raised by us,—namely, the necessity which exists for some action being taken to secure a commonage for the district. Even if we admit the assumption upon which Mr LOUGHAN's letter is founded, that he, the runholder, possesses an absolute right to every blade of grass upon the run, (an assumption which we totally deny,) it would only go to strengthen our position; so much more does the necessity exist to apply a remedy, and that quickly. If the runholder possesses such a right, it is one which the law gave him, and it is one which the law can take away, if it can be proved to press unjustly upon any section of the people. How much more, then, if it presses upon the great body of the people.

At an early date we shall return to the subject.

Our Court reports will be found in our third page.

Thursday, 30th October, is the day appointed for the nomination of an Auditor.

There are said to be between 500 and 600 Chinese scattered up and down the Nevis district.

Mr Bailey, of Bailey's gully, Bannockburn, was taken into custody to-day on a charge of lunacy.

Oats are now selling at nine shillings per bushel in Cromwell, and are still reported as on the rise.

Complaints are made from many quarters that it is getting very difficult to obtain the services of men for labouring work at any price.

Mr Fred Clifton and Miss Fanny Sara gave two entertainments on Wednesday and Thursday last in Cromwell. The entertainment laboured under a great drawback in the absence of any music to accompany the singing.

The town water supply has been stopped twice lately on account of the dust winds. When the wind blows, the race above the boxes lately laid gets silted up, and of course the supply is stopped. The last stoppage began late on Saturday night, and has not yet been remedied.

We understand that Mr James Taylor has secured the contract for the repairs to the Gentle Annie bridge. It will be seen by our advertising columns that considerable repairs are also about to be made on a portion of the road between Cromwell and the Annie. Tenders are invited for them.

The cow we spoke of lately as having taken to evil courses by roaming about at night-time has been joined by four or five others. Their favourite walk is in that portion of the town race above the school fence (they crop off the long grass growing on the banks of the race), and up to, and into Mr Baird's garden. Mr Baird's crop of apricots and peaches is not expected to be very large this season; and it is doubtful whether the arbour which he has now in course of formation will come up to his expectations. The cows don't appear to care.

The Presbyterian Church Committee met on Friday evening to take into consideration the matter of erecting a church building. The matter was pressed upon their immediate attention, in consequence of an offer made them by Mr John Marsh to give a section of land and a donation of ten pounds sterling for the erection of a church. It was resolved to gratefully accept the offer made by Mr Marsh. It was further resolved that the Secretary write to the Episcopal Church Committee, offering to unite with them in building a church for the joint use of the Episcopalian and Presbyterian bodies, and one which might also be used by Christian ministers of any denomination who might happen to be visiting or travelling through Cromwell. The meeting was then adjourned till an answer could be obtained from the Episcopalian Committee.

The rate of carriage from Dunedin to Cromwell is reported at £14 10s. per ton.

The Warden at Queenstown has a pleasant time of it according to all reports. He gets the monotony of his office annually relieved by a trip to the West Coast. If he has any more time to spend soon, we would suggest a trip to the Haast via Lake Wanaka and the Makarora Valley. It must be tiresome always going the same way. There is no snow thirty inches deep, let alone thirty feet, by the way we suggest.

At the last meeting of the Waste Lands Board in Dunedin, the following business was transacted:—Mr John Fleming applied to purchase section 18, block III, Cromwell district, being fifty acres on Run No. 245. It was resolved that the land should be advertised and then surveyed. Mr John Marsh applied to purchase section 1, Wakefield district, held under an agricultural lease. The lease had lapsed three days prior to the application being made to purchase. It was resolved that the land should be sold under the 73rd clause of the Act.

The following telegram was sent to his Honor the Superintendent on Friday by the Mayor:—"Loughnan again indiscriminately impounding. Draft expected to pass through immediately. Corporation beg that immediate stoppage be ordered. Residents exasperated at breach of agreement, and threaten resistance. Something must be done immediately, or owners of stock will suffer heavily.—JAMES DAWKINS, Mayor." An answer was received as follows:—"Agents for station know nothing of these impoundings, but assume that Manager is clearing run of stray horses and cattle, which, if numerous, he is bound to do at this season, preparing for washing and shearing next month.—J. LOGAN."

There was a meeting of the Cromwell Jockey Club on Friday evening, 24th inst., at which were present: Messrs Preshaw (president), Dawkins (vice-president), Jolly (treasurer), Lake, Starkey, Heron, and Pierce. The business was to consider the programme for the annual meeting. Mr Dawkins proposed, and Mr Preshaw seconded, a motion that the sum of £375 be given as added money for the prizes at the ensuing annual meeting. The motion was lost, however, in favour of an amendment, proposed by Messrs Starkey and Pierce, that the sum of £400 be given. Messrs Preshaw, Dawkins, Starkey, Cowan, and Wrightson were appointed a programme committee, with instructions to submit a draft programme at a meeting to be held on Friday, 31st inst. A committee was also appointed to draw up a code of rules for the Club, after which the committee adjourned till Friday next.

Only about a dozen of the citizens assembled in the Town-hall on Saturday last, at the time fixed for the nomination of a Councillor for Bridge Ward. Mr Colclough, Town-clerk, acted as Returning Officer. There was only one nomination; that of Mr David A. Jolly, who was proposed by Mr Isaac Wright, seconded by Mr William Whetter. Mr Jolly was therefore declared duly elected. Mr Jolly briefly thanked the electors for the honour they had conferred upon him. He regretted very much a little more animation had not been infused into the affair. He would much rather have had to fight for the vacant post in the Council than to gain it so easily, as honours so lightly gained were apt to be lightly esteemed. However, he would always be found doing his duty when in the Council, and, he trusted, in harmony with the other Councillors. With a vote of thanks to the Presiding Officer, the proceedings terminated.

A mob of cattle (about 150) passed through Cromwell on Sunday on their road to some station down country. Two beasts were nearly lost while passing over the Kawarau bridge. The leaders got frightened, and in trying to press back from the centre of the bridge the two were forced through one of the open panels of the railings of the bridge. One fell upon the rocks at the foot of the pier on the south side, and was instantaneously killed; the other fell into the river, and was able, though with much difficulty, to come ashore at Stuart's ferry. The bridge proprietors, we believe, have been intending for some time to render the railing more secure by placing seven or eight rows of wire along from standard to standard, but have been prevented from doing so on account of the impossibility of procuring the proper kind of wire. They have now ordered galvanized fencing wire of the strongest kind for the purpose.

The practice of gambling appears to be taking a hold upon a number of our citizens, if we are to judge from the rumours which have been flying about the town for the last week or two. The rumours, especially as regards the amount of the stakes played for, are probably exaggerated, but there can be no doubt they have some foundation in fact, and the names of one or two prominent citizens are very disagreeably mixed up with them. It will be well that hotel-keepers should remember that they are liable to very heavy fines for allowing anything of this kind in their houses; and we believe Mr Cassels has signified his intention to prosecute with the utmost rigour any offences of this nature which may become known to him. Whilst the hotel-keeper is fined for allowing cards to be played for money in his house, it may be interesting to the players to know that they have no alternative, if the offence is proved against them, but imprisonment. The offence on their part comes under one of the clauses of the Vagrant Act.

Mr Burres is taking round a memorial for the signature of the citizens in the matter of narrowing Melmore-street to a width of fifty-seven feet from Murray-street to Erris-street. The memorial, so far as it has gone, is signed by about thirty-five persons. The premises of the memorial are:—1st. That various of our fellow-citizens have occupied for some time past certain portions of Melmore-terrace, and have made considerable improvements upon the ground so occupied by them. 2nd. That if Melmore-terrace was narrowed to the width of fifty-seven feet, all the occupied ground would be outside the street, and would in no way interfere with the public convenience. 3rd. That we consider no part of Melmore-terrace is in any way suitable for a recreation ground. 4th. That if the terrace was narrowed to the width of fifty-seven feet, and the part cut off subdivided into sections, then those persons now in occupation would be

able to purchase the ground occupied by them, and would be inclined to considerably improve same. The memorialists therefore pray that the street may be narrowed to meet their views.

A correspondent of the *Wairarapa Standard* informs that journal of an intellectual Maori going to a store with some other natives. "While there he saw his friends make some purchases; also saw some fine clothes he took a fancy to. How to get them without money he was at a loss to know for a short time, but at last he hit upon a plan. He went home to his hut, got his son, took him to the store, showed him the things he wanted, and instructed him how to go to work and remain quiet. After giving all the necessary cautions, he placed him in a sack, took him on his back, carried him to the store, and asked permission to leave his sack until next morning, when he would call early and take it away. The shopman of course said 'All right, put it down there.' So the sack was left. When the shop was shut up, and the shopman was snoring like a porker, the boy came out of the sack, took the articles pointed out by his father, put them into his sack, got in again himself, sewed the sack up again on the inside, and remained quiet. Early the next morning his father came for his sack. The shopman said 'There it is,' so he shouldered his sack and cleared out with all the articles he was anxious to possess the day before."

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

### DUNEDIN.

TUESDAY, 9 a.m.

Mr J. B. Bradshaw had a testimonial, consisting of candelabra and illuminated address, presented to him on Saturday from the young women employed in sewing establishments, as a recognition of the boon conferred upon them by his Factory Bill.

In the Supreme Court on Saturday, the case Otago and Southland Land Co. *versus* Burns was concluded. Verdict substantially for defendant.

A dead body was found in the Molyneux near Roxburgh yesterday morning. There is a suspicion of foul play.

[A telegram from the Teviot says:—The body is not recognisable here. The description of the body is that of a tall, large-framed man; has on (like) colonial-made Balmoral boots; one woollen, one cotton sock; and a piece of woollen drawers on legs. Appears to have been in water many months. Inquest will be held to-day.]

Mr Fish, M.P.C., addressed his constituents last night. A vote of thanks was carried unanimously. Motion to the effect that High School should be discontinued was carried by the meeting.

The Wealth of Nations claim, Rosfton, obtained 336 ozs. for ten and quarter days' crushing.

Just in Time claim, from 110 tons stone, obtained about 450 ozs. gold. The tailings will yield over an ounce per ton additional.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.]

### IMPOUNDING.

To the Editor of the CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—The leading article in your paper of the 21st inst. seems for many reasons to call for some remarks from me in reply. For it deals a great deal with myself personally, and invents motives for my conduct which are truly remarkable for their originality, but which I shall content myself with characterising as "patent conjectures." But further, and this is more important, there seems to me to underlie the whole matter, as treated by you, an assumption that in this case the usual laws of property are to be set aside for the especial behoof of Cromwell stockowners, to enable them, in a word, to possess themselves of that which belongs to others without fear of consequences.

It is not with a view of justifying my conduct in impounding stock for trespass that I now write,—that would be quite a work of supererogation; but the vicious train of thought that you would encourage in your readers, especially those strongly interested, should be protested against. For what is to be understood as meant by you, when you blame the Commonage Committee for not having resisted to the utmost all attempts on the part of the runholders to impound cattle, and the people of the district for not supporting them in so doing, unless we are to infer that you deny the runholder's sole right to the grass on his own run, or that you argue that the owners of the cattle impounded, or sought to be impounded, are justified in taking that which belongs to others, while any interference by lawful owners is not to be put up with? If such petty thieving—for to take what is another's is certainly to thieve, whether petty or extensively—is to be encouraged, where will it end? By-and-bye, we may perhaps see far graver offences against property encouraged by an enlightened Press!

Now, as to the facts of the present case. The *Cromwell Argus* knows quite well that the public were warned through its advertising columns more than a month ago, that stock might be kept free on a certain portion of the run, and without fear of being impounded, but that

they would be considered as trespassing if not kept within those bounds. The *Cromwell Argus* is equally aware, as witness its own columns in the issue of 21st inst., that no stock from the above-mentioned portion of the run were driven to the pound; or meddled with in any way. What, therefore, can be meant by my wishing "to get rid of an unprofitable portion of the run," and "to get compensation for what is of no earthly use" to me,—endeavouring to effect this end by impounding stock from quite another part,—it is problematical if the writer himself understands. That all this is, at any rate, very gratuitous assertion, besides being glaringly unreasonable, if not sheer nonsense, most people will, I think, allow. What follows is very ludicrous. Equally so is the assurance of my exceeding anxiety for the granting of the commonage to the people. Really they care little indeed for this priceless boon, if it be true, as the *Cromwell Argus* asserts, that they are less anxious for it than I am.

It is not the miner who is a trespasser in the way the runholders have to complain of; although he usually has his horse, and often a cow or two. But the former he does not keep for breeding; it is usually worked, and remaining near home; while the latter yield him their milk: so there is here a return from both, and he will not grumble very much if he is called upon to pay for their grass. Yet I venture to say that few runholders will enforce their rights so fully as to tax a man for these necessities. It is the more grasping and well-to-do dweller in gold-fields townships and way-side shanties,—the publican who preys upon the digger, or the store-keeper, and so on; but most frequently the first. He it is who aspires to be the owner of whole herds of weedy brood-mares and worse colts and fillies, and runts of cattle, and who comes into direct collision with the runholder, and raises the outcry for free grass and pasturage. Such is the case without doubt in this district. This is the man that will acquire any number of stock, so long as he can get for nothing the grass that others pay dearly for, and has no trouble or expense in herding them; but he will raise an outcry, as of one dreadfully wronged, if the little game is interfered with. He will cultivate in this easy way animals of the most objectionable character and the most degenerate breed—(the number and quality of bulls amongst the cattle supposed to be owned by Cromwell residents is something unequalled, I should say, in the known world); utterly useless to himself and the country at large,—yielding him no income, and contributing nothing to the revenue, in any shape: on the contrary, doing positive damage in many ways, and not the least by consuming the food lawfully belonging to animals—and of course depriving them of it—that are a source of benefit to the whole Colony, as well as of annual profit to their owners. This is the traditional "poor man" of the gold-fields, to whose existence the squatter, we are told, is an insuperable obstacle. For his benefit, all future legislation should be framed,—he who, on account of his *soi-disant* poverty forsooth, presumes to claim a free share in the property of his more wealthy neighbour, the odious "bloated capitalist," who has secured and continues to maintain his right to the same annually, at great cost.

In conclusion I may say that, while personally I care little whether the people of Cromwell obtain a commonage or not, I quite agree with you in deprecating any personal feeling towards me, whether favourable or otherwise, being imported into this matter. But I repeat that it is, and must always be, a subject of grave concern to me, that others should take what is mine by right, without any consideration; and should be causing serious loss over and above that of deprivation to the owners of the stock by right depasturing on the country, and much damage to the stock themselves. Any measures that I may take to prevent or lessen such damage, I consider do not require any justification.

Apologising for having trespassed so very far upon your space,—I am, &c.,

I. LOUGHNAN.

Mt. Pisa, 24th October, 1873.

### THE TRACK TO CARDRONA.

To the Editor of the CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—I am desired by the Cardrona Miners' Association to inform you that in reference to the paragraph in your issue of the 14th inst., in regard to "a rumour that the residents at the Cardrona intend to memorialise the Government to spend the sum of £400 upon the main road between Cromwell and that township, instead of a track via Kirtleburn," that it is but a rumour. Although the Miners' Association has now been shorn of its wonted functions as an Improvement Committee, they, in defence of their own action in getting up the petition for the Kirtleburn track, fully endorse your opinion as to the inconsistency of proposing to turn over to another purpose the sum intended for a track which would confer such signal benefit on this place.

I am, &c.,

THOMAS ALLAN,

Secretary C. M. A.

Cardrona, Oct. 22.

Pretty girl to Charles: "Charles, how far is it round the world? Isn't it twenty-four thousand—?" Charles (who adores pretty girl, and puts both arms round her): "That's all a mistake, my love, it's only about twenty-four inches." She was all the world to him. "Dear Charley!"



## QUARTZ MINING MEMORANDA.

## BENDIGO.

Mr Colclough reports that the Lucknow tunnel is now within six feet of the perpendicular of the reef. It continues as hard as ever. Much difficulty is experienced by the working manager in procuring men suitable for the work of hard blasting, it being a description of work not usually met with in this province. Men competent for the work would find ready employment.

The Aurora tribute company is not yet properly wound up, as the legal manager has not yet put in an appearance for that purpose. It is not known whether the original company will work the ground, or whether it will be taken up by a new tribute company. (The legal manager went up to Bendigo yesterday for the purpose of closing the accounts of the late company, and to arrange about further operations of the company.)

The Cromwell company have finished driving westward from the main shaft, (the one in the centre of lease No. 1,) and have commenced stoping. In the shaft No. 1 westward from the main shaft, there is still about sixteen feet to sink before reaching the drive level. In it, however, there is a good payable reef all the way down. When it is finished, there will be a clean working space between it and the main shaft of 140 feet. In shaft No. 2 west of the main shaft they are still busy sinking, and through very hard rock. In No. 2 the heaving-up is done by a windlass, but in No. 1 and the main shaft whips are employed. The company's machine is still engaged crushing the Link stone. It is expected to clean up in about eight or ten days.

The Reliance company's men are busy sinking now, as they have finished trimming the shaft. In the shaft there is a leader about a foot in width. The stone is very similar in appearance to that which appears cropping out on the surface on the opposite side of the gully in the Cromwell company's lease No. 1. None of it has yet been tested in any way, however. The company, it is understood, have applied to be registered under the Mining Act of 1872.

## CARRICK RANGE.

Mr Colclough reports that the Elizabeth company brought in a cake of 75 ozs., that result not being equal to expectations. It is contemplated to return to the other end of the mine for a time. The difficulty of procuring prop timber at reasonable rates had diverted the operations from a better part of the mine, but the company sees the necessity of keeping the mill going on payable quartz, and intend returning to the good, although more difficult workings.

Work is being vigorously pushed on in the Star of the East, but there is nothing of interest to report.

The Young Australian company will probably commence to drive out quartz this week. They have a good deal of stone exposed and ready for bringing out. Two or three claims are reported to be taken up adjoining the Young Australian. One—the "Leader" it is called—is situated on the Royal Standard saddle, and is said to show good indications.

The Heart of Oak company started crushing on the 14th inst., on stone from the old workings. From the present show on the battery tables, it is supposed it will turn out quite as well as some previous crushings have done. The working manager reports that he is still driving from the 60ft. level. He has gone some 40 feet, and expects to strike the reef within the next 30 feet.

The Secretary to the company reports that the John Bull is to start crushing at Mr T. Logan's battery this week. The contract for the carting of 200 tons of stone was let to Mr James Lawrence on Saturday. There are seven men now at work on the claim. The reef in the tunnel spoken of some fortnight back is looking well. A winze has been put in some thirty feet to catch the upper tunnel. The reef is running more perpendicular and averages some twenty inches. The walls of the reef are much firmer, and indicate a permanent reef. Cross-drives are being driven from the end of the tunnel. The reef prospects very well, quite up to anything that has yet been struck.

**CARRICK WATER RACE.**—The working manager reports that at present he has some 24 men at work on the above race, and has within the last three weeks cut about one mile of the same. From the appearance of further cutting he is under the impression that he will be able to tap by Christmas the first creek the company's race crosses. It is about 1½ miles from the present cutting. It is intended also in the meantime to turn some water from Shepherd's Creek down the portion of the race cut last year, for the purpose of settling the walls of the race.

We are informed that Mr Colclough has sold the "Fenian" to Mr Taggart, of Mt. Pisa Hotel. Mr Taggart intends, we believe, to race him at the forthcoming meeting.

A cablegram says a person has arrived in England claiming to be Arthur Orton. In connection with this Tichborne subject, we notice the following paragraph in a contemporary:—"In the trial of the Tichborne Claimant on August 29th, a large number of witnesses from Wapping testified that the Claimant was not Arthur Orton. Much excitement was created in Court by the testimony of two witnesses, who swore that they had seen Orton and Castro together in Australia, and they identified the Claimant as the person who went under the name of Castro."

## BANNOCKBURN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

A public meeting was held in the School-house at Bannockburn on Saturday night, 25th inst., to consider the application of the Premier Gold Mining Company to lease ten acres of the flat near Shepherd's Creek; and also to consider the formation of Smith's gully into a main tail-race or sludge-channel. The meeting was very numerously attended, considering the shortness of the notice given. Mr James Crombie, president of the Bannockburn Miners' Association, was unanimously elected to take the chair. After a long discussion had taken place upon the first matter before the meeting, it was resolved that in the opinion of the meeting it was impolitic on the part of the Government to grant leases of auriferous ground in the Bannockburn district. It was further resolved that the matter should be left in the hands of the Miners' Association, to oppose the particular application of the Premier Company when it should come before the Warden for hearing on the 7th of November.

After this business was concluded, the meeting then proceeded to consider the advisability of declaring Smith's gully a main tail-race or sludge-channel. A considerable discussion also took place on this question, as some parties were afraid it was only a plan of the Directors in the Carrick Water Company to obtain a monopoly of the gully. Eventually, however, it was resolved on the motion of Mr Behrens, seconded by Mr O'Neill, that "Smith's gully should be proclaimed a sludge-channel." The following gentlemen were then appointed a committee to arrange the rules under which the gully should be worked, in accordance with Section XV. of the Gold-fields Regulations:—Messrs Taylor, MacKellar, Ferguson, Moore, Hancock, O'Neill, Thomson, Behrens, Smiddy, Koch, Rintoul, Burrows, Blue, Burrows, and Jelly. Wednesday evening was the night appointed for the first meeting.

## BENDIGO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

October 22, 1873.

I am unable to discover anything appertaining to mining matters of sufficient importance to chronicle this week, and will not therefore trench upon the province of your mining reporter, who, I imagine, must find his office almost a sinecure so far as Bendigo is concerned. The several quartz companies are progressing, and evidently stick closely to the motto "*festina lente*," for the "haste" of some of them is truly of the slowest order consistent with motion.

To make an Englishman growl, it is said you must touch his pocket; and as the pockets as well as the epigastric regions of Her Majesty's lieges in this part are suffering from a vile imposition at present, I trust I may be excused for giving vent to a mild murmur of remonstrance. The Laird of Morven, otherwise "Big Jock," has suddenly and without apparent reason raised the price of his sheep from 10s. to 14s. per head. As one lot supplied to our local butcher only averaged 32lb. per carcass, he had to raise the price from 4d. to 5d. a pound, and at this cannot hold his own. As a rule, the mutton is hardly eatable. To mend matters, I am credibly informed that no cattle whatever will in future be allowed to pasture on the run; and, further, the horses have been classed with the miners, and owners have had to take out a "right," and pay 20s. per annum for their steeds running on the station. Verily, "it is nice to be a digger."

I am inclined, in the language of Artemus Ward, to ask, "Why is this thus?" Is it another illustration of the old classical proverb, *crescit amor nummi*? Or does the great chief of the clan McLean wish to drive all the mining fraternity off his acres? It is a clear case of "mak' lean" in so far as the meat supply is concerned—(excuse this horrid "goak")—from which there is scarcely an avenue for escape; it is Hobson's choice with us. Mr McLean is pastoral king of this territory; like Robinson Crusoe, he is monarch of all he surveys. The run extends about seventy miles in each direction, consequently the chances of competition or opposition are very remote. I have been often struck with the extraordinary difference in the prices current of articles of daily consumption in the different Provinces and towns of New Zealand; but I must admit Bendigo bears off the palm for extra high charges, they being actually in many instances 100 per cent. higher than in some more favoured localities. I can see but one way of remedying this state of affairs, and that is by a combination of the inhabitants, and the institution of a co-operative store, butchery, and bakery to supply the entire population. This has been done in other places when the shoe was found to pinch too severely, and if vested rights suffered, why, the holders of such were to blame for standing in their own light and not altering matters in time. With this remark, I leave those interested to "read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest" the above. They may possibly find in it a partial solution of the enigma of the present stagnation in mining enterprise which obtains, in spite of the well-known resources of the district.

Our coal prospectors have suspended operations pending the arrival of mining timber from Lake Wanaka. The shaft is down eighteen feet, and indications appear to favour the chance of an extensive seam being discovered. The sinking is entirely in block "country," and this is a good indication, I am informed. I hope so.

Speaking of coal reminds me that the Province now possesses a geologist, Captain Hut-

ton, who has been lately appointed to complete Dr Hector's geological survey. A writer in the *Witness* recommends that he shall devote a good deal of attention to the remains of defunct moas and other extinct species of antediluvians. I humbly venture to suggest that his salary would be much better earned in examining our coal, gold, and other mineral deposits, whose name is legion. If he would condescend to shed the light of his acquired knowledge upon this neglected district, he would find much to interest him; and possibly his researches might have the effect of inducing speculation in certain matters which are now lying fallow from ignorance of their probable worth. And if his "game" is moa birds, why he can find plenty of these anatomical curiosities here also: I have seen the remains of fifty, possibly, unearthed during the past six months.

I am glad to see that Mr V. Pyke has been giving the House a taste of his quality, and I think the mining community is indebted to him for his efforts in its behalf, albeit the said efforts led to no practical results. If he will follow up the course he has indicated next session, he will earn the gratitude of all miners; and I trust he may think it worth his while to do so. Many are of opinion that his stability can scarcely be depended upon, and that as a politician he will, like the great Julius Vogel, prove unscrupulous, and in the words of the old couplet,

"Get place and pelf,—if possible with grace;  
If not, by any means get place and pelf."

Mining constituencies have been hitherto used, in most instances, as stepping stones by their representatives to reach the desiderata implied in the above lines, and if it should again occur, why they must only "grin and bear it," and try to do better next time.

## ALEXANDRA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

October 25, 1873.

Mining matters are looking healthy, and everyone is in full work. Butcher's Creek, in particular, is very lively. Forrest and party are constructing a new tail-race there, which was objected to by the Butcher's men proper, on the ground that Forrest and party were bringing foreign water into the creek. The Warden, however, gave them a grant, and they expect to be in full work in a few weeks, operating upon branch gullies running into Butcher's. At Conroy's, all the claims are in full work, but there will be no cleanings up until Christmas. Mr Kitt, at Golden Gully, is reaping a rich harvest, which he well deserves. McIlroy and party, at the Point, are doing exceedingly well; in fact, the same may be said of all the claims on the west bank. On the east bank, the lessees of the Corporation race are doing very well, sluicing away the banks. The Manuhirikie Co. are in full work with plenty of water, but I am unable to say with what success; I am afraid rather indifferent. Mr Blackwell has again started the Rockside claim, and it is to be hoped he will again be successful in making it pay. The great drawback in this claim is the price paid for water. What he is paying now I do not know, but for years he paid £12 per week. The ground was good, otherwise he could not have paid so large a sum, together with wages.

I am sorry to have to record a serious accident that occurred here on Saturday last. Mr Edward Charnock, the owner of the Newcastle coal-pit, was in the act of going down the shaft, which is some sixty feet deep. He had placed his foot in the rope, and started the horse in the whim, when the rope by some means got entangled. This he immediately perceived, and spoke to the horse to turn, which it did, when the slack of the rope came away from the whim with a jerk, and Mr Charnock was thus thrown to the bottom of the shaft, landing on the planks that cover the well-hole. He was got out as quickly as possible, when it was found that his leg was broken in three places. Both doctors were sent for, who succeeded in setting the broken limb. He is now doing as well as can be expected. Some are fearful that he will be compelled to undergo the operation of amputation; but I trust this is a mistaken opinion.

In municipal matters, there is but little new, and that little not very interesting outside our own little town—further than a report that we are in debt to the tune of a thousand; but, as a matter of course, if people will have water, it must be paid for. The gardens in and around the town are looking quite green, owing no doubt to our having a good water supply, to which every one helps himself without asking permission. Nobody is found fault with but one individual, who happens to be looked upon as a black sheep because he will not fall down and worship the Alexandra wooden god,—and from what I can learn he is not likely to do so. I will say no more on this subject until I am better informed, as I like to keep within bounds.

Three of the four parts composing the "Alexandra Folly" were sold by auction, and as I surmised in my last, did not realise a tithe of the first cost. The fourth tank the Council reserves for its own use, but what that may be, I can't say.

The Library Committee have been exerting themselves, and have succeeded in getting a grant of money from Government to enlarge their hall, which is a step in the right direction.

I see the squatters in your neighbourhood are coming down on the owners of horses, etc. Mr Glassford is doing the same at Blacks. On Friday, he sent twenty-four head to the Clyde pound, most of them the property of farmers, and at least a fourth of

them belonging to farms at Tiger Hill. I am informed that the Government some eighteen months ago cancelled Mr Glassford's lease over a piece of country at Tiger Hill, for the use of the farmers, and gave him compensation for the same; and that Mr Glassford has actually used this piece of country ever since, kept it stocked with sheep, and impounded the farmers' horses for daring to cross the boundary. No wonder that every man's hand (except the Government's) is against the squatters. Further, Mr Glassford had the face to charge five shillings per head for driving expenses, making £ for two shepherds for one day. Surely Mr G. is making a rise out of the cockatoos.

## DUNEDIN NOTES.

The periodical literature of the city has received another addition this week, the latest arrival being the *New Zealand Jurist*, a magazine to be devoted to the dissemination of legal news and information, and to be published monthly. The editor is Mr Branson, a member of the legal fraternity, who has lately established himself in Dunedin. The first number seems to warrant the anticipation that the *Jurist* will prove a serviceable and welcome paper to those connected with law pursuits. Another new monthly—*The Truth-seeker*—is to make its appearance on the first of November. It is looked upon by a great many as a spiritualistic organ; but this is, I believe, an incorrect assumption as to its aim and objects. It is to be conducted in a spirit the most liberal possible, and in its open columns it will admit spiritualistic as well as other unorthodox communications; but beyond this it is not to be the advocate of any one sect. It is questionable whether there is any field in this Province for a magazine of the free lance description, such as this is evidently intended to be. It will, if its views become too free for this orthodox community, meet with strong opposition, and at the best its promoters can hope for but a limited number of subscribers.

The Masonic Hall dispute has been settled by a compromise being effected between Mr Hudson (the purchaser of the building) and the Company, and as a result of the arrangements made, Mr Hudson retains possession, and is now proprietor of the building. Law expenses evidently exercised a judicious effect upon the minds of both parties. And well they might; for if it is correct as reported in town, the expenses already incurred in consequence of this dispute amount to several hundred pounds.

The members of the Dunedin police force were on Tuesday made the unsuspecting victims of one of those insane practical jokes which every now and again it pleases some brainless idiot to perpetrate. Information was received to the effect that Sergeant Bevan, the best known of our mounted troopers, had been thrown from his horse near Mornington and nearly killed. The news was conveyed to the head-quarters of the police in MacLaggan-street, and as might naturally have been expected, created considerable excitement. The Sub-Inspector and other members of the force turned out and proceeded to the scene of the accident. The neighbourhood of Mornington was searched for the prostrate trooper, but without avail, and enquiries failed to elicit any information as to the reported accident. Finally the search party returned to town in time to meet the sergeant and to ascertain that there was not the slightest foundation for the story. The perpetrators of this and all similar "jokes" should be made active search for, and suitably punished for their senseless proceedings.

Six volunteers proceed to Melbourne by the Claud Hamilton on Thursday, as the Otago representatives at the Intercolonial Rifle Match to be held there. They are Captain Goldie, Sergeant Taylor, Gunners Dobbie and Reid, Lieutenant Christie, and Volunteer Mann. The two latter proceed as representatives of the Taieri Volunteers and South District Rangers respectively; Captain Goldie and Sergeant Taylor were nominated by the Rifle Association, and Gunners Reid and Dobbie secured their places by competition. Captain Goldie also fired in all the matches, and justified the confidence the Rifle Association had placed in him by making the top score. Let us hope that the volunteers of the Australian Colonies will have cause to acknowledge that the Otago Volunteers are yet as good shots as they have proved themselves in years past. It will indeed be gratifying if one of our representatives brings home as a trophy of his skill the champion belt of the Australians.

The Princess Theatre has been again reopened by a theatrical company—Miss Clara Stephenson, Mr Charles Burford, and others. They had a capital attendance on their opening night; but it will be quite out of the usual order of things if this continues. They have produced the burlesque of Ixion, but only in inferior style. The Australian Bell-ringers are performing to good houses in the Masonic Hall. Their performances are in no way different from those of the Lancashire Bell-ringers, who visited Dunedin a few years since. The performance is a very pleasing one to listen to for half-an-hour; but it soon grows monotonous. We cannot complain of a lack of amusements in Dunedin. No sooner has one novelty outlived the interest it excites, than something else turns up to supply its place. The worst feature of these ever-changing performances is that they are the means of taking away every year no inconsiderable sum of money which might be much more profitably laid out by those who spend it thuswise. However, "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy"; and if Jack must have his play, he must also pay for it.

## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

A meeting was held on Thursday evening, 23rd inst., in the Town-hall. Present: The Mayor (Mr J. Dawkins), and Crs. Grant, Hayes, Wright, and Shanly.

Minutes of previous meetings were read and confirmed.

## INWARD CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter was received from the Government stating that £300 had been placed to the credit of the Corporation in the Bank of New Zealand, Cromwell.

Cr. Grant moved, Cr. Wright seconded, and it was carried, "That the money to the credit of the Corporation be transferred from the Bank of New Zealand to the Corporation bank account in the Bank of New South Wales."

## REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

The following report, being No. 2, was then read:—

"1. In the matter of permanent levels, it is desirable that a permanent start-point of level should be fixed by the contractor for the work of taking the levels, and the committee would suggest one of the buttresses of the Bridge, from which all the streets intersecting Melmore-terrace could be calculated. That the contractor shall furnish plans shewing the depth of excavation, or the depth of filling up at points of every chain; and that the plans give the differences of levels (as from the start-point or unit of level above referred to) at the points of intersections of all the streets required to be dealt with. The committee desire it to be understood that the levels shall embrace all the streets bounding Blocks I., II., III., IV., XIII., XIV.

"2. The committee recommend that the account of E. Lindsay, upon which they have been called upon to report, be passed for payment.

"3. They have advised the immediate painting of the fencing, as the timber would be injured by even a short exposure.

"The committee would recommend that the town-race be boxed from Heald's house to Hayes and Co.'s dam, as the only way of keeping up a regular supply of water.

"5. We are unable to furnish a report upon the abatement of the dust nuisance, but the matter is under consideration, and the committee must urge that some decided steps be taken in the matter, otherwise it will be impossible to live in that part of the town, or even in the vicinity."

It was resolved that the Public Works Committee consider the advisability, and report thereupon, of continuing the water race in boxes further along Inniscort-street.

On the motion of Cr. Wright, seconded by Cr. Grant, it was resolved, "That the recommendation No. 4 of the said committee be adopted, and that tenders be invited for the work at once, to be carried out under the direction of the said committee."

Cr. Shanly proposed, "That Mr Smythies be appointed Town Surveyor. That he be instructed to take the levels as recommended by the Public Works Committee, and that the remuneration be a fee equal to the amount which Mr Smythies tendered to complete the work for, and that he be paid the same upon giving in the necessary plans in conformity with the requirements of the said Committee." Seconded by Cr. Grant, and carried.

## ACCOUNTS.

E. Lindsay's account was passed for payment; also W. Stewart's for contract No. 2, and Jehn Marsh's (of 10s.) for conveyance of mails from Clyde.

## IMPOUNDING.

It was decided to forward to his Honor the Superintendent a telegram in re the impounding of cattle and horses by Mr Loughnan.

## THE NEW MAYOR.

The Town Clerk was instructed to forward a letter to the proper quarter at Wellington notifying the election of Mr James Dawkins as Mayor.

## ELECTION OF AUDITOR.

It was decided to call for nominations once more for the post of auditor, and the dates of nomination and polling were fixed.

A vote of thanks to the Mayor concluded the meeting.

## From America to Europe by Balloon.

Our English telegrams of the 17th, convey, in the brief announcement that "a newly-constructed balloon left America on October 6, on a voyage across the Atlantic to Europe, intelligence of the commencement of one of the most daring enterprises ever known. The man who has undertaken this bold and novel venture is Professor Wise of Philadelphia, one of the oldest and most experienced aeronauts in the world; and his journey is made to realise and demonstrate practically, theories he has held, and preached, and fought for during a large portion of his lifetime. The balloon in which he journeys is constructed, and fitted out at the expense of the *New York Illustrated Graphic*. In a recent number of the *Philadelphia Bulletin* there appears an account of a conversation between the Professor and the newspaper's editor, from which we extract such passages as have reference to the voyage:—

Wise: I propose to start from Boston Common, and shall have with me Washington H. Donaldson, aeronaut, and two scientific gentlemen.

Editor: You cannot guide your balloon; how then do you know it will not sail westward?

Wise:—I have for years believed that the entire upper atmosphere surrounding the earth constantly moves eastward with the rotation of the earth. More than this, it actually moves faster than the earth, just as water is spurted forward from a rapidly-revolving grindstone. It is thrown ahead by the movement of the terrestrial ball at the rate, say, of 100 miles an hour. If I rise into this vast

air-tide with my balloon, the ship will be swept eastward with tremendous velocity. We cannot control the direction of the balloon in any way, and that will not be necessary. All we need do is to let it drift, and sooner or later, if no accident happen, we shall reach Europe. Professor Henry and other learned men entertain the same opinion concerning the eastward tendency of the upper air, and I am assured of it, not only because it is reasonable and natural, but because all balloons, after reaching the height, say, of a mile and a half, go in an easterly direction.

Editor: Have you observed that phenomenon often?

Wise: I have made 446 balloon ascensions, and ninety-six times out of every hundred the air-ship shot rapidly towards the east. I have preached the theory for thirty years.

Editor: How long do you suppose it will take to cross the ocean?

Wise: Not more than seventy hours, and probably only sixty. It will depend upon the force of the air current. I may as well remark here that this current moves more rapidly after sunset, for the heated air presses toward the shadow, where the atmosphere is cooler. We shall probably land either in Great Britain or France—in the latter if we do not reach a great altitude. I have always thought, however, that there is an air-current following the course of the Gulf Stream, for that heats the atmosphere to the height of 8000 or 10,000 feet, and makes, I conjecture, a sort of gulf stream in the air. If this is correct, and our balloon strikes that current, we shall go directly to England. Of course, I cannot say absolutely that we shall succeed. This voyage is merely experimental. I wish to test the matter; that is all. If the trip can be made now it will be made many times again, and with practice, ability may be acquired to reach London, Paris, or Madrid with unerring certainty. We are merely going to try whether it really can be done or not. I shall leave Boston Common and strike at once for an altitude of about two miles, and stay up there if possible until we get across.

Editor: Will you return in the balloon?

Wise: I think not. We might, though, by dropping into the local trade winds and surface currents, but they are not so reliable. I only claim the ability to go with certainty to the eastward.

Editor: You speak of a speed of 100 miles an hour. Will not that seem alarming?

Wise: Not at all. In a balloon, no matter how rapid the motion, the voyager is not conscious of it. He seems to stand still. If there is no object by which to mark the progress, he is impressed with the conviction that the balloon is at rest. He is no more conscious of a speed of 100 miles an hour than you are of the revolution of the earth as you sit in that chair. Moreover, there is no fluttering of the rigging of a balloon when in equilibrium. A cobweb hanging from the car will seem as free from agitation as if it were suspended in a vacuum. We cannot even tell when we are ascending except by hanging a ribbon over the side and observing it fly upward as we descend and downward as we mount into the air. You can hardly call balloon riding "the poetry of motion," for there appears to be no motion. A blind man in such a ship would be ready to be sworn he was in a condition of perfect rest.

Editor: And now for a description of the balloon in which you will make your voyage.

Wise: We propose to construct three balloons, one nearly three times the size of the others, the latter of which will be used to supply the large one with gas as it gradually loses its lifting power. The balloons will hold some 325,000 feet of gas, and will have a lifting capacity of 11,000 pounds, besides the weight of the gas chambers themselves, nettings, baskets, life-boat, &c. It will take about 2700 yards of drilling for the large balloon, but with the aid of sewing machines we think we can get it ready in a month's time. The basket in which we propose to ride is a comfortably covered room, with a cellar in which to store water and food for the trip. The room will have windows on all sides; a lime stove will give abundant heat for warmth and to cook with, while at night a vacuum tube with platinum wire at each end will furnish abundant light by sending a current of electricity along the wire.

Editor: Suppose the balloon falls into the sea?

Wise: We have to provide for such an emergency. Beneath the chamber there will be an open platform or balcony, and beneath that one of the Francis metal lifeboats, provided with oars, sails, instruments, food and water, will be suspended at any instant to receive us, should a near approach to the water take place for any reason. This lifeboat will have four large air chambers, and will be provided with a cabin in which we can be protected from the weather. By means of an ingenious contrivance the centre of gravity can be made beneath the bottom of the boat, thus rendering it impossible to upset it. We shall take provisions for thirty days, in order to be ready for the worst, and will have it placed in water-tight bags, which may serve as life-preservers also.

[A late cablegram reports the attempt to have been a failure, a storm in Connecticut having brought the balloon to earth. The occupants were unharmed.]

A Miss Buchanan, once rallying her cousin, an officer, on his courage, said, "Now, Mr Harry, do you really mean to tell me you can walk to a cannon's mouth without fear?" "Yes," was the prompt reply, "or a Buchanan's either." And he did it.

## MISCELLANEA.

A model lodging-house has been opened in Melbourne. One hundred and fifty sleepers per night can be accommodated, in fine large airy dormitories, at sixpence per night.

Writing of Coromandel, the *Mail* says:—"Perhaps, all told, there are five mines upon this field being systematically and efficiently worked, as mines should be worked for the production of gold, not mere scrip-selling. How the case may be at the Thames we cannot say, but this is how it stands at Coromandel."

A carpenter at Klagenfurt, in Austria, deliberately soaked his clothes in petroleum, and then set himself alight with a lucifer match. No sooner was he enveloped in flames than he uttered awful cries, which brought the whole neighbourhood to his assistance. But he was in a few minutes beyond all human help, the whole body being carbonised.

The utter ignorance of the geography of Westland prevailing among many of its residents is well indicated by the fact that the gentleman called "His Worship the Mayor" of Hokitika telegraphed to the Mayor of Queenstown, asking if any persons had arrived at that town overland from the Haast; and if so, whether they brought any intelligence of the Titan and Waipara.—*Grey River Argus*.

The following extraordinary occurrence is recorded by the *Wanganui Herald*:—"As Mr John Walker was bringing the entire horses Baronet and General Nutt up the Coast on Saturday, the former rushed at the General, on which Mr Walker was riding, and seizing hold of Walker's clothes, tore them literally off his back. Mr Walker fell, and the horses fought over him for some seconds, but he fortunately escaped without injury."

A shocking accident, the result of the common habit among larrikins of stone-throwing, occurred at Auckland the other day. A boy named Murray was looking at the scene of the great fire, when another boy named South threw a piece of lead and knocked out one of Murray's eyes. Murray fainted, and had to be carried home, and his poor mother swooned when she saw what had befallen him. The eye extruded on to the cheek, and was replaced as well as it could be, but the sight will never return.

We have never much favoured corporal punishment in schools, but whether the substitute adopted by a Wisconsin teacher is desirable is a little doubtful. When a pupil is disobedient, idle, or refractory, he administers to the delinquent a dose of castor oil. The only result of this treatment which we have reported is a pun, strangely and fearfully execrable, made by the editor of the local newspaper. He says such treatment ought to render the scholars "dose-ile." He evidently needs a quart or so himself.

We are informed that a man named Williams has committed suicide at a claim on the Upper Shotover. It is stated to us as the Nugget claim. The particulars, so far as we can ascertain, are that the deceased deliberately hung himself by the feet with a rope of sufficient length to allow his head to be immersed in the water. That a wilful suicide has been committed there is no doubt. Mr Beetham, the coroner, has proceeded to the locality to hold an enquiry. A loss of money and "the horrors" are causes given for the act.—*Wanganui Mail*.

There is at the Royal Polytechnic Institution in London an American gentleman, Professor Hutchings, who exhibits some marvelously rapid feats in the addition and multiplication of figures. He will cast up three long rows of figure placed upon a board by any one of the audience in the twinkling of an eye, and he is equally successful in feats of simple and compound multiplication. The results are invariably correct. The astonishing part of this mental performance is the magical rapidity with which the totals in thousands or millions, in pounds, shillings, and pence, or dollars, are grasped and transferred to the board.

It was at the second battle of Bull's Run that a cannon ball carried off a poor soldier's leg. "Carry me to the rear!" he cried to a tall Yankee companion who had been fighting by his side. The Yankee caught the wounded soldier up, and, as he was about to put him across his shoulders, another cannon ball carried away the poor fellow's head. The Yankee, however, in the confusion did not notice this, but proceeded with his burden toward the rear. "What are you carrying that thing for?" cried an officer. "Thing," returned the Yankee; "it's a man with his leg shot off." "Why, he hasn't any head," cried the officer. The Yankee looked at his load, and for the first time saw what the officer said was true. Throwing down the body, he thundered out: "Confound him! he told me it was his leg!"

A very novel defence was made at the Resident Magistrate's Court, No Town, on Wednesday, to a charge of carrying on business without a license on the gold-fields. The defendant, Edward Tudor, a bootmaker, admitted that his license had expired, but he neglected to renew it because he considered the Government were indebted to him to the extent of one month's license fee. In explanation, he said he was in gaol for a month under a conviction on a charge brought under the Vagrant Act, and "he would like to know how the Government could have the conscience to ask him to pay a license for occupying a business site at No Town, when he was in gaol at Cobden all the time." His Worship failed to see the point, and, besides inflicting a nominal penalty, ordered the defendant to take out a license.—*Grey River Argus*.

## A Hippopotamus Family Quarrel.

Mr Frank Buckland, having by the kindness of Mr Bartlett had the good fortune to be present on the occasion of the introduction of the little hippopotamus, Guy Fawkes, who is now eight months old, to his disagreeable old father, Obesh, writes as follows to *Land and Water*:—"Obesh was quietly munching his breakfast of grass in the outside den, when at a given signal the portcullis of the mother's den was gradually raised, and the two heads appeared, gazing out with the most comical expression. Seeing his wife, the old man left off munching his grass, grinned a ghastly grin, and he loudly trumpeted—"Umph," "Umph," "Umph." Little Guy Fawkes then came from behind his mother, with the action and stiffness of a pointer when he has discovered a covey of birds; gradually and slowly went up to his father, and their outstretched noses were just touching, when the old woman sounded the signal for war, and rushing past the young one, fairly challenged her lord and master to single combat. He instantly retreated a step or two, and his wife began to pretend to munch at the grass, keeping her eye always fixed spitefully upon him. Just at this moment the sun shone out, and I was enabled to see most distinctly the remarkable phenomenon of the "blood-sweat" of these gigantic animals when excited. The usual pale chocolate colour of the skin of the husband and wife became densely covered with spots that looked like thin red gum, and when the male turned his head I could see that they were globular; they glistened like dew on a cabbage, and stood high upon the skin like bloodstained diamonds. After gazing at each other for about a minute, old Dil—for that is the female's name—made a savage rush at her husband, and simultaneously both animals reared right up on their hind legs, like bull-dogs fighting. They gaped wide their gigantic mouths, and bit, and struck, and lunged at each other savagely, while the grass fell out of their great coal-scuttle mouths on to the battle-field. The crash of their tusks coming together was truly Homeric, and reminded me of the rattling and smashing clash, only exaggerated, when the Windsor Park red deer fight with their horns. For a second or two these two gigantic animals closed together, and swayed to and fro like Cornish westlers. When they settled on their four legs again, the old woman followed up her advantage by giving her husband a tremendous push, "well hit," with her head; and, while the cowardly old fellow sneaked backwards into his pond, his wife trumpeted a triumphant signal of victory from the bank. All this time little Guy kept well in the rear of his mother, occasionally peeping round her sides to see the rare and extraordinary phenomenon of a husband and wife having a row. Dil then slowly, and in a shah-like manner, walked down the steps into the water, and hunted the old man about until she drove him into a corner; she then mounted sentry over him. The young one then mounted on to his mother's back, and gazed with filial respect, not unmingled with impudence, at his father. At the least movement on the governor's side he sank down into the water, as quiet as an otter, without making the slightest ripple or sending up a bubble of air, and shortly reappeared with his pretty little head, erect ears, and bright eyes, and looked like a gigantic frog. During one subaqueous excursion the little rascal had probably gone up to, and touched his father, for the old fellow gave a sudden plunge and jump, as if he had been touched up from underneath by something alive. Thus the three remained for about an hour, staring and grunting at each other. Obesh made one attempt to get out of his corner, and retreat into his den, but his artful old "missis" was too quick for him, cut off his retreat, and drove him back. The little one, I observed, always kept the far side of his mother, in case his father should turn rusty again. In about three-quarters of an hour, the row was all over, and instead of angry trumpeting, the signals gradually assumed a more amicable tone, and it was evident that the two Behemoths were getting into good temper. At last the female swam nearer to her husband, and distending her great nostrils to the utmost, uttered a kind of hiss, not the least like a war cry. When the keeper heard this he said, "They are all right now, sir; they'll not fight any more. See, the old man's beginning to smile, and left off staring." The faithful keeper was quite right, for all three Hippos at once became friends, and the domestic row was over.

The *Bruce Herald* reports that larks are now to be heard all over the Tokomairiro Plain on sunny mornings.

Miss Fanny Carandini had a narrow escape from being burned to death at Christchurch on Friday evening last. The *Press* states that while she "was playing the accompaniment to one of the songs, the train of her dress was by some means swept into the gas of the footlights, and was in a blaze in an instant. A gentleman sitting in the front seats, on the alarm being given, with great presence of mind, sprang on the stage and extinguished the flames, Miss Fanny fortunately sustaining no injury beyond a fright."

It will be seen by our Municipal Council report, that the subject of larrikism in Queenstown, upon which we have more than once commented, has significantly attracted the attention of the authorities. We earnestly hope steps will be taken to put down a growing evil. On Sunday evenings it is positively disagreeable to pass through the main streets, owing to the crowd of boys and youths indulging in horseplay, and coarse expressions. The police might, we think, take steps to put an end to this grievance.—*Mail*.



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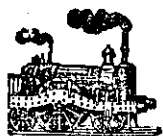
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